

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 2, 2001

Bobby R. Burchfield, Esquire Covington & Burling 1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20004

RE: MUR 5006

Friends of Giuliani Exploratory Committee

John H. Gross, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Burchfield:

Enclosed please find a Statement of Reasons adopted by the Commission explaining its decision to find no reason to believe your clients violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. This document will be placed on the public record as part of the file of MUR 5006.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Alva E. Smith, Paralegal Central Enforcement Docket

Enclosure

Statement of Reasons